

FIFTY-SIXTH REGIMENT.

BY ROBERT D. GRAHAM, CAPTAIN COMPANY D.

This regiment was composed of ten companies which assembled at the camp of instruction, known as Camp Mangun, located on the North Carolina railroad, four miles west of Raleigh, in the Spring and Summer of 1862.

COMPANY A—*Camden County, mainly*—As twelve months' volunteers, they had formed a part of the detachment captured at Hatteras 29 August, 1861, and had recently been exchanged. Its officers were successively as follows: G. Gratiott Luke, Captain, April, 1861, elected Lieutenant-Colonel 31 July, 1862; Noah H. Hughes, Captain, 1 August, 1862, from First Lieutenant 17 April, 1862, died 1 June, 1864; Thomas P. Savilles, Captain, 1 June, 1864, from Second Lieutenant, 17 April, 1862; Henry W. Lane, First Lieutenant, 1 August, 1862, transferred from Company G, killed 12 June, 1864; Edward P. Hanks, First Lieutenant, 12 June, 1864, from Second Lieutenant 17 April, 1862; Caleb L. Grandy, Second Lieutenant, 1 June, 1864; Wm. H. Seymour, Second Lieutenant, 12 June, 1864; Caleb P. Walston, First Sergeant, became Captain in the Sixty-eighth Regiment.

COMPANY B—*Cumberland County*—This company came in under Frank N. Roberts. A good portion of this command was from the old *ante bellum* organization known as the Lafayette Light Infantry, and with their present Captain had formed a part of the First North Carolina Volunteers known as the "Bethel" Regiment, who were six months' volunteers, and who had been in the battle of Bethel 10 June, 1861. Its officers in succession were: Francis N. Roberts, Captain, 30 September, 1861 (who had been a Lieutenant in the Bethel Regiment), killed 18 June, 1864; Alexander R. Carver, Captain, 18 June, 1864, for gallant service from Sec-